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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Miles et al.

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**For:** RESONANT SCANNING PROBE  
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**Group:** 2878

**Examiner:** Thanh X. Luu

**Our File:** SHP-PT077

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**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Reply is being timely filed in response to the Office Action dated April, 3, 2006, and is submitted in conjunction with an appropriate petition for extension of time.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: